October 15, 2013

Dear Slough's Waterfowl Blind Permit Holder,

Congratulations on being selected for one of the waterfowl draw blinds on Sloughs WMA this year. Information about the blind you were selected for is provided below. In addition, you can access a map of Sloughs WMA on this webpage at the following address: http://fw.ky.gov/kfwis/viewable/Sloughs WMA All.pdf.

Finally, when your hunt is concluded KDFWR requires you to complete a short hunter report form. This is to be completed even if you do not hunt (check No on first question). The information you provide will help us to improve our management activities especially those that relate to improving waterfowl hunting opportunities. The Hunter Report Form is also on our webpage. The web address for this form is as follows: https://www.research.net/s/Sloughs Hunter Survey

We hope you have a successful and safe waterfowl hunt.

Sincerely,

Rocky Pritchert Manager, Migratory Bird Branch

Blind #: 37

Tract: Cape Hills Unit

Type: Pit in levee, between the pools.

Field Condition

It is native vegetation, moist soil unit that was constructed in 2007. A steel pit is bunkered into the levee approximately 75 yards north of the water control structure.

Water Condition

A moist soil unit was developed for public hunting by KY Department of Fish & Wildlife in cooperation with Ducks Unlimited. Waders are required to access decoys and retrieve downed birds. Water is dependant upon run-off to fill the pool.

Waterfowl Opportunity

♦ All waterfowl, (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access: Go to Smith Mills, KY on HWY 136, go through Smith Mills, take Martin-Martin Rd to the right go approximately 1.75 miles, the blacktop will turn to gravel continue over the hill take the first gravel road to the left (don't cross the bridge). This is Crowder Road and park at the yellow gate.

Walking Distance

- ♦ 400 yards north of the parking lot.
 - ♦ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

SHELL LIMIT - 25 PER HUNTER

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Blind #: 40

Tract: Crenshaw

Type: Above ground blind site

Field Conditions

♦ Located along west side of Muskrat Slough and field edge. This blind is located on the south side of an opening in the tree line boarder of the slough.

Water Conditions

 Natural cypress slough. Hip boots or chest waders required. Water dependant upon run off to fill the pool.

Waterfowl Opportunity

All waterfowl, (Within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access

• From HWY 136 - 3 miles north of Smith Mills.

Walking Distance

♦ 400 yards east of parking lot from HWY 136 West.

Restrictions

- May enter gravel roadway before shooting time to unload equipment. May not operate
 vehicle off maintained roads. May not operate a vehicle for any purpose other than the
 unloading and loading of personal gear (before and after shooting hours) on the gravel road.
 - ♦ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

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Blind # 41

Tract: Crenshaw

Type: Pit

Field Condition

• Row crop field, located at south end of field, north of parking lot and west of gravel roadway. Depending on crop rotation field is either corn stubble or winter wheat.

Water Conditions

◆ Two acre pond developed for public hunting by KY. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife. Hip boots/waders required. The pool is pumped to fill; but, not to maintain open water.

Waterfowl Opportunity

♦ All Waterfowl, (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access:

• From HWY 136 - 3 miles north of Smith Mills, from parking lot on HWY 136 West.

Walking Distance

♦ 300 yards north of parking lot.

Restrictions

- May enter gravel roadway before shooting time to unload equipment. May not operate
 vehicle off maintained roads. May not operate a vehicle for any purpose other than the
 unloading and loading of personal gear (before and after shooting hours) on the gravel road.
 - ♦ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

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2:00 P.M CLOSURE ON STATE PROPERTY

Blind #: 42

Tract: Crenshaw

Type: Pit

Field Conditions

 Row crop - man-made water development. Located at northern end of field, north of parking lot. Depending on crop rotation field is either corn stubble or winter wheat.

Water Conditions

◆ Two acre pond developed for public hunting by KY Dept. of Fish and Wildlife. Hip boots or waders required. The pool is pumped to fill; but, no to maintain as open water.

Waterfowl Opportunity

◆ All waterfowl, (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access

♦ From HWY 136 - 3 miles north of Smith Mills.

Walking Distance

◆ 500 yards north of parking lot, from parking lot on HWY 136 West.

Restrictions

- May enter gravel roadway before shooting time to unload equipment. May not operate
 vehicle off maintained roads. May not operate a vehicle for any purpose other than the
 unloading and loading of personal gear (before and after shooting hours) on the gravel
 road.
- ♦ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

SHELL LIMIT - 25 PER HUNTER

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2:00 P.M CLOSURE ON STATE PROPERTY

Blind #: 43

Tract: Crenshaw

Type: Pit

Field Condition

♦ Located at Northern end of Crenshaw Tract in row crop field. Depending on crop rotation field is either corn stubble or winter wheat/soybean.

Water Condition

♦ No water, dry ridge pit site

Waterfowl Opportunity

• Goose Hunting Site, (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access

♦ From HWY 136 – 3.0 miles north of Smith Mills, KY take the gravel road at the main parking lot, past the second bend the blind site is approximately 250 yards on the right. Park vehicles at the parking lot on the north end of the property.

Walking Distance

♦ 300 yards west-southwest from parking lot at the north end of the property.

Restrictions

- May enter gravel roadway before shooting time to unload equipment. May not operate vehicle off maintained roads. May not operate a vehicle for any purpose other than the unloading and loading of personal gear (before or after shooting hours) on the gravel road.
- ♦ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

SHELL LIMIT - 25 PER HUNTER

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2:00 P.M CLOSURE ON STATE PROPERTY

Blind #: 44

Tract: Crenshaw

Type: Pit

Field Condition:

♦ Located at southern end of Crenshaw Tract in a crop field. Depending on crop rotation field is either corn stubble or winter wheat.

Water Condition: No water, dry crop field.

Waterfowl Opportunity

♦ Goose Hunting Site, (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access

♦ From HWY 136 - 3 miles north west of Smith Mills.

Walking Distance

- ♦ 200 yards east north east from southern parking lot, on HWY 136 West.
 - ◆ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

SHELL LIMIT - 25 PER HUNTER

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Blind #: 45

Tract: Crenshaw Tract

Type: Pit/Blind

Field Condition

• Row crop field. Depending on crop rotation field is either corn stubble or winter wheat.

Water Condition

 Shallow water impounded by KDFWR water project, Hunters will need hip boots or waders for access from the east, to place decoys and retrieve waterfowl. The pool is pumped to fill; but, not to maintain open water.

Waterfowl Opportunity

♦ All waterfowl (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access

♦ From Smith Mills, KY take KY HWY 136 approximately 3 miles NW. From the parking lot take the gravel road to the north, (to the second curve), unload most of the people and gear at this location. The blind is approximately 150 yards to the east-southeast.

Walking Distance

♦ Approximately 150 yard from the second curve in the interior gravel road to the blind site, which is approximately 1000 yards from the parking lot near HWY 136.

Restrictions

- May enter gravel roadway before and after shooting hours to unload equipment. May not operate vehicle off maintained roads. May not operate a vehicle for any purpose other than the unloading and loading of personal gear (before or after shooting hours) on the gravel road.
- ♦ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

SHELL LIMIT - 25 PER HUNTER

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Blind #: 50

Tract: Duncan II

Type: Special Mobility Impaired Access pit/blind

Field Condition

♦ Located directly north of the oil tank battery, approximately 200 yards.

Water Condition

 Waterfowl pond for public hunting developed by KY Fish and Wildlife. Hip boots required for assistants. The pool is pumped to fill; but, not to maintain open water.

Waterfowl Opportunity

♦ All waterfowl, (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access

♦ From KY HWY 268 - 6.5 miles NW of Geneva, KY.

Walking Distance

♦ 200 yards north of tank battery.

Special

- ◆ This blind is designed for hunters with mobility impairments use and will accommodate 2 wheel chaired hunters with up to two non-disabled assistants. <u>Vehicle access is permitted for disabled</u> <u>hunters only.</u> Other hunters are not permitted vehicular access. No vehicles off of maintained roads!
 - ♦ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

SHELL LIMIT - 25 PER HUNTER

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Blind #: 51

Tract: Duncan II

Type: Pit

Field Condition

 Located in southern end of field - west of the main oil tank battery and directly east of the salt water pumping station. Depending on crop rotation field is either corn stubble or winter wheat.

Water Condition

♦ Waterfowl pond developed for public hunting by KY Department of Fish & Wildlife. Hip boots/waders required. The pool is pumped to fill; but, not to maintain open water.

Waterfowl Opportunity

All waterfowl, (within available season, check Waterfowl Guide).

Access: From KY HWY 268 - 6.5 miles NW of Geneva, KY. Park at oil/salt water pump station.

Walking Distance

- ◆ 200 yards east of western most oil tank storage, north of HWY 268 and pumping station.
 - ◆ Permit holders must occupy their blind one hour before sunrise (1/2 hour before shooting time) or it will be open to the public on a first-come-first-serve basis.

SHELL LIMIT - 25 PER HUNTER

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2:00 P.M closure on State